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1.  on 27 July 1953, two shipments, each of about 60 railroadcars, were loaded at the Kuestrin-Kietz railroad station and dispatched toward Jueterbog. The units had come from the Artillerie Kaserne.  28 x 37-mm AA guns and about 100 trucks.  During the night on 26 July, motor vehicle columns were seen en route in both directions on the Kuestrin-Kietz-Frankfurt/Oder road. The Artillerie Kaserne in Kuestrin was occupied by a new unit. <sup>1</sup> 25X1
2. Between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. on 4 August, tanks, which  had come from the Horn Kaserne, were entrained at the Frankfurt/Oder freight station.  <sup>2</sup> 25X1
3. On 5 August, a train of about 100 axles and carrying tanks was seen passing through Fuerstenwalde, proceeding toward Frankfurt/Oder. <sup>3</sup> On the same day, the Blue Express, mostly occupied by women and children, was seen in Fuerstenwalde, headed toward Frankfurt/Oder. 25X1
4. On 12 August, about 8 T-43 tanks,  and about 30 trucks, each occupied by about 25 troops carrying full field pack,  passed through Eberswalde, coming from the direction of Bad Freienwalde and proceeding toward Angermuende. <sup>4</sup> 25X1
5. At about 4 p.m. on 13 August, 10 boxcarloads of troops and 32 trucks,  were entrained at the Zehdenick railroad station, leaving toward Loewenberg. <sup>5</sup> 25X1
6. At about 4 p.m. on 8 August, 8 x 76-mm field guns, 18 trucks,  and an undetermined number of troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were loaded on 8 boxcars and 4 closed boxcars in Dallgow. <sup>6</sup> 25X1

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7. On 7 August, 16 x 100-mm AT guns, 20 full-track prime movers and 20 trucks were entrained in Burg for an undetermined destination. On 14 August, the unit returned by road from the direction of Magdeburg.

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8. At about 8 p.m. on 8 August, a train carrying 23 rocket launchers, 13 trucks, 2 tank trucks, 1 field kitchen and 1 armored scout car; and including 8 boxcars was seen on the railroad bridge in Magdeburg, proceeding toward east.

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1. Comment. The entrained troops probably were AA units of the 3rd AA Div which went to Justeritz. Elements of the division from Frankfurt/Oder possibly were temporarily quartered in the Artillerie Kasernen in Kuestrin during the night on 26 July.

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2. Comment. Probably entraining of a tank detail of the 84th Gds Hvy Regt of the 7th Gds Mecz Div which went to Lieberose and included five tanks.

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3. Comment. The train probably carried mechanized elements of the 1st Gds Mecz Div from Muhlheide which from Schoeneweide to Fuerstenwalde according to information in the present report, may have been forwarded to Lieberose.

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4. Comment. the train carried units of the 16th Gds Mecz Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Div, which possibly transferred from Bad Freienwalde to Templin. 50 percent of the units of the division were at Bad Freienwalde in mid July after the departure of the elements employed in Berlin, and unloadings and columns were observed in the Bad Freienwalde and Eberswalde area. It does not appear impossible that the elements of the above-mentioned division which left the Templin troop training grounds in June participated in exercises in the area south of Eberswalde in late July and early August and returned on the train observed.

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5. Comment. Possibly a detail of the 2d Light Arty Brig which went to Neustrelitz. Neustrelitz had been mentioned as loading and unloading station of the elements of the brigade stationed in the Speck-Grannen summer camp.

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6. Comment. Probably entraining of units of the 304th Arty Brig the LXIX Mtz Rifle Corps which transferred to Gardelegen on two trains and probably engaged in exercises in the Letzling Heath.

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7. Comment. Probably a shipment of units of the 25th RL Brig went from Rathenow to Altengrabow power.

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